

IT IS EASY TO GET EVERYTHING YOU WANT, PROVIDED YOU FIRST LEARN TO DO WITHOUT THE THINGS YOU CANNOT GET.—Elbert Hubbard.

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## 547 SW Maine Farmers in ASC Practices

Farmers in four southwestern Maine areas are planning on extensive use of soil fertilizing materials in connection with practices of the Agricultural Conservation Program. This was disclosed by County Committeemen of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Department at the annual district conference of representatives of the U. S. Department of Agriculture just held at South Paris.

The committeemen reported that a total of 4,247 tons of lime, and 1,179 tons of other soil improvement materials, such as 8-16-16, 0-20-20, and superphosphate, had been approved for 547 farms already enrolled in the 1955 ACP. Chairmen of the County Committee in making the report to Robert S. Pike, chairman of the State ASC Committee, who presided at the meeting, stated that by the end of the second enrollment period on April 15 most of the programs funds allotted to the counties for 1955 would be taken up.

Following the progress report on the 1955 program, the delegation discussed practice recommendations for 1956. Mr. Pike stated that a total of 28 different conservation practices were recommended for the 1956 ACP program.

### CAREER WEEK APRIL 3-9

April 3 to 9 has been designated Maine Career Week for Maine for 1955. The WEEK, which is sponsored annually by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce with the cooperation of local chambers of commerce throughout the state, is a cooperative business effort to assist school officials in providing career guidance to pupils in the public schools.

Career Week was first organized six years ago, and has brought hundreds of business men into the schools to aid pupils in preparing for future employment. An early development of the career program was the Future Apprentice Competition which has been a regular event during the special week each year. The Apprentice program has attracted entrants from virtually every qualified high school in Maine and offers job opportunities and awards to participants.

The assistance of business during the Career Week program is made possible through the joint efforts of the State Department of Education, the State Chamber and special arrangements made by local chambers of commerce with educators in their communities.

The entire state-wide program, according to the State Chamber, is the outgrowth of a desire to provide opportunities in Maine for Maine youth, and since it touches on all types of business, a great many people can take an active part in the effort.

### COMMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Our state audit is being conducted at this time by Douglas Strand of Portland. This is the first visit Mr. Strand has made to Bethel as auditor. We appreciate his quiet and gentlemanly manner of doing his work.

At this time we seem to have a need for employment. If you know of any one in need of labor please call 66.

Recent visitors at the office include Mr. Shepherd of the State Tax assessors office, Miss Cormier of the Auburn welfare office and Mr. Whitney, State general relief officer.

Initial steps have already been taken to get in touch with the mapping and valuation concerns in view of the recent town vote for revaluation.

### IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Mrs. Grace Ireland is a patient at the Davis Nursing Home in Norway.

Miss Pauline King is moving to an apartment at Mrs. Sylvia Conroy's.

Mrs. Myron Bryant is a surgical patient at Rumford Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brown are visiting their son, Norris, and family at Ashland.

Richard Davis was in Watertown, N. Y., of business Sunday and Monday.

Lt. Irving L. Carver is back in Florida, having been in England for a while.

Lewis Smith Jr., who works at G. Blake's mill, placed his foot under a cantdog Tuesday.

Mrs. Viola Gibbs, Cheryl and Billy, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Evans Wilson.

The Misses Mabel and Rett Shaw of Portland spent the weekend at their home here.

M/Sgt. Roderick McMillin left Friday for three weeks encampment at Fort Belvoir, Va.

Mrs. Vance Richardson and daughter Martha have returned from the Rumford hospital.

Wesley Wheeler returned home Tuesday after being at the CMG Hospital several days for observation.

Mrs. John Currier and son Gregory Frank returned home Friday from the Rumford Community Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Herbert Rowe were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earle E. Enman in Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Clough and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Rice and family were guests during the weekend of Mr. and Mrs. George Bryant and son George at Madison.

Mrs. Phillips Brooks and Mrs. Noelle Balocca went to Weymouth Mass., Tuesday where Mrs. Balocca will undergo surgery today in the South Shore Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Carter returned Tuesday from Arlington, Mass., where their grandson, David Johnston, became an Eagle Scout Monday evening. He was the third boy in the family to win this award.

### CHAPMAN CLUB TO PRESENT CONCERT FRIDAY EVENING

The Gould Academy Chapman Club will present a concert at the William Bingham Gymnasium on March 18 at 8 p.m. The program is as follows:

Chorale from the Cantata, "Sleepers, wake," Full Chapman Club.

Sonata in A major (Theme with Variations); Rondo a la Turca, David Lord, piano.

Russian Lullaby; Me Bustan Todas (I like them all), Sylvia Ring, soprano; Dawne Christie, accompanist.

Concerto in F, first movement, Geraldine King, clarinet; Carla Grover, piano.

Impromptu op. 90 in E flat, Carla Grover, piano.

"Trees"; Sylvia Ring, soprano; Elizabeth Murrell, 2nd soprano; Cleta Waldron, alto; Dawne Christie, accompanist.

Sweet and Low; When I grow too old to dream; Geraldine King, clarinet; Carla Grover, clarinet; Elizabeth Murrell, alto; saxophone; Bartlett Hutchinson, trombone.

Nocturne in F sharp Major; Alma Mater; Guadalupe Iglesias; Old Black Joe; David Lord, 1st tenor; Melvin Wilson, 2nd tenor; Kenneth Nowlin, 1st bass; Howard West, 2nd bass; Ellen Lord, piano.

Over the Waves; Howard West, trumpet; Timothy Richardson, trumpet; David Lord, piano.

Andalusia, from Spanish Suite; Mary Jane Cole, piano; Judith Ward, piano.

Medley of American folk tunes; Richard Gilman, guitar; Kenneth Nowlin, guitar; Ruth Hall, piano; Pauline King, accordion; Howard West, bass.

The Jolly Caballero; Pauline King, accordion.

Now let every Tongue Adore Thee; Full Chapman Club, David Lord, accompanist.

Running Commentary; Cleta Waldron; Publicity; Ruth Hall, Alice Lane; Lights; William J. Colidge, Director; Walter Marcus.

Mrs. Addie Ramsell has received word of the death of her brother-in-law, David Walter Ramsell, on March 12 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ralph Hinds, in Walnut Creek, Calif.

Mrs. T. Smith checked in at the Naval Hospital, Portsmouth, N. H., Tuesday, for observation and a complete physical check-up. He expects to be hospitalized 10 days to two weeks.

During the weekend guests at the Robert Keniston's were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Johnson, Ruth, Terry and Butch, also Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Morey, Susan and Cynthia, and Mrs. Eva Keniston.

The Guild of the West Parish Congregational Church met at the Chapel last Wednesday evening and enjoyed a lively discussion, led by Rev. Charles Pendleton. Among matters discussed was the need for the church to have an organized Women's Fellowship group.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Harold Rolfe and Mrs. Addison Saunders.

Miss Nellie Macdougall of the Gould Academy faculty will review "Innocence Under the Elms," the new book by Louise Dickinson Rich. The place is Bethel Library, evening of March 20, 7-8 o'clock. The author is at her popular best and the speaker knows good books. She is the daughter of the Rev. A. Macdougall of Bingham, well known writer and known as the fishing person. This series is proving popular. Last Sunday evening Murray Thurston was at home with "Fifty Years of American Sport" by Grantland Rice. Anyone interested to attend and lacking transportation should call Mrs. Taylor.

One Maine farmer has built a pole-type, above-ground stack horizontal silo. It measures 18 by 43 feet and is 18 feet high. This gives capacity of 250 tons of grass silage. This dairyman uses it on a self-feeding basis, permitting the cows to eat as much of the silage as they like from one end of the silo.

Maine 4-H club boys learn to operate and care for tractors in the 4-H tractor maintenance project.

### National Grange

## Master Speaker at Farm-Home Week

Herschel D. Newsom, Master of the National Grange, will address the annual Grange Night Program at Farm and Home Week, Orono, Wednesday evening, April 6.

Maynard S. Dolloff, master of the Maine State Grange has announced that Mr. Newsom will speak at 8:30 p. m. to enable Farm and Home Week visitors other than Grange members to hear the National Grange Master.

Dairymen and potato growers have separate suppers and programs at 6:30 Wednesday evening which will permit their later attendance to hear Mr. Newsom.

The Grange program will open at 7:30 p. m. at Alumni Hall on the University of Maine Campus. Mrs. Little York, of Winthrop, lecturer of the Maine State Grange, will be in charge of group singing and entertainment.

### FIVE TOWN TEACHERS CLUB MET MARCH 14

The Five Town Teachers Club met Monday evening, March 14, at Crescent Park School with 26 members and one guest present. The meeting was called to order by the President, Hazel Wheeler.

Melva Willard reported that Mrs. Elizabeth Richards was very pleased by the Sunshine Box given to her at Christmas. We are glad to report that her condition is improving.

Olive Luray, as Chairman of the Legislative Committee, reported the attendance of Hazel Wheeler, Miriam McAllister, Helen Varner, and Olive Luray, at the meeting on Feb. 14 of the local organizations of Oxford County. On April 4 an open house meeting will be held to discuss legislation. It is hoped Representative Ferguson and Senator Boykin will be present as many more invited guests.

The annual picnic basket project was discussed. Committees: Tickets—Melva Willard, Alice Ballard, Laura Gile, Floribell Halnes. To purchase baskets—Maxine Brown, Frances Bennett, Ruth Ring, Publilia Heltz—Doris Lord, Ruth Hastings, Maurie Aspinwall.

Miss Ida Packard, Bethel postmaster, gave a most interesting talk on the Postal Service. She showed the transition of the Postal Service from the 17th century to the present day. The history of the Bethel Post Office and the status it now holds was very enlightening.

Edgar Darby showed the film "Dear Nancy," a story of old New England.

Refreshments were served by the committee: Alice Ballard, Doris Lord, Maxine Brown and Laura Gile.

Mrs. Sadie Robertson was guest of honor at a birthday party on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keoskie. Ice cream and cake was served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Murry Cummings, Cheryl and Joni, of Lodi Mills; Mr. and Mrs. William Robertson, Brenda, Mitchell and Chris, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robertson, Victoria, Jean and Merry, Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Robertson, Winsfield Robertson, Mrs. George Hartlow, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keoskie.

Don't miss seeing the dainty Chinese, stately Egyptian, graceful Greek, dark-eyed Roman, beautiful Medieval, dusky Indian, demure Pilgrim, lassome Director, as well as models portraying styles of different decades in the 1800's. Gay nineties bathing beauties, and chic young moderns garbed in Dior and Hattie Carnegie Eastern outfits.

All this exhibition of beauty and fashion with the addition of appropriate vocal and instrumental music and a pleasing commentator for 30c at the Wm. Bingham Gymnasium, Thursday evening, March 31, at 8 o'clock.

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### NOTICE

Listings for the new Telephone Directory must be in by Wednesday, March 23.

Those wishing changes in service should bear this in mind.

VAN TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO.

## Village Decides No Night Police; Cut Appropriations

TOWN OFFICERS APPOINTED At a meeting of the Selectmen of Bethel last week John H. Carter was elected chairman and Carroll E. Abbott, vice chair. Town officers left for appointment were named as follows:

School Physician and Health Officer: Widd E. Twaddle, M. D. Sealer of Weights and Measures: Elmer E. Bennett.

Weigher, Town Scales: Albert Buck.

Fire Ward and Fire Chief: Robert M. Buck.

Constables: Roderick McMillin, Asher Runnels, Patrick Grenier, Loton Hutchinson.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber: Leslie E. Davis, Hugh D. Thurston, Addison C. Saunders, Guy Pratt.

MRS. EDNA SMITH HONORED

### BY OPEN HOUSE ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Raymond Tripp, Mrs. Chester Chapman and Mrs. Charles Cary held open house at the Tripp home Sunday afternoon in honor of the 75th birthday of their mother, Mrs. Edna Smith. Mrs. Smith received many gifts, including a beautiful bouquet of snapdragons and carnations from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapman.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis, Mrs. Herbert Rowe, Mrs. Joseph Perry, Mrs. Ruth Stearns, Mrs. Irvin French, Mrs. Ernest Buck, Mrs. Henry Godwin, Mrs. Mary Ladd, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boykin, Mrs. Henry Bennett, Mrs. Martha Scott, Mrs. John Mercier, Mrs. Edward Hall, Tommy and Carolyn, Mrs. Chester Chapman, Mrs. Agnes Brooks, Mrs. Phillips Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Tripp, all of Bethel; Mrs. Ernest Holt, Mrs. George Stearns, Miss Nancy Stearns, Mrs. Una Stearns, Hanover; Mrs. Leon Enman, Mrs. Fred Wight, Miss Carrie Wight, Mrs. Henry Learned, Mrs. George Learned, Newry; Mrs. Agnes Sweat, Errol, N. H.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cary, Robecia, Priscilla, Rodney, Randall and Paul Bryant, Pond, Mrs. Clarence Coffin and son Clarence, West Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Buswell, Allison and Henry John, Bucksfield; Mrs. Gail Ballocca, Oyster Bay, N. Y.; Mrs. Doris Codding, Dixfield; Mrs. Iola Forbes, Bethel.

MRS. EAMES HONOR GUEST

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stearns entertained the Portland Pipeline employees with a pot luck supper at their home in North Waterford Wednesday evening. Mrs. Rodney Eames was the surprised honoree at which time she was presented a bassinet and corsage. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bowerman, Mr. and Mrs. William Luecke, Mrs. Dee Hutchinson of North Waterford; Mr. Harold Perham of West Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Billie Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith and Susan of Waterford; Mr. and Mrs. James Wilcox of Norway; Mr. and Mrs. Paul King, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Eames of Bethel. Those unable to attend were Don Hutchinson, North Waterford; Harold Perham, West Paris; Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Hutchins, Bethel; and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hicks, South Paris.

FOOD SALE

### SATURDAY, MARCH 19

2:00 p. m.

Methodist Church

Bethel Evening Extension Group

2:00 p. m.

General Practice

Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted

Hours: 10 a.m.—12 m.; 2:45—6:30 p. m.

Except Thursday Afternoons and Sundays

Tel. 81

2:00 p. m.

BENEFIT DANCE

West Bethel Grange Hall

FRI. MAR. 18 8:30 p. m.

Sponsored by

Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club

Lon Wright's Orch.

## Assessors' Notice

### TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL:

You are hereby notified that the Assessors of Bethel will be in session at Selectmen's Office on

APRIL 1, 1955

From 8 A. M. to 4 P. M.

for the purpose of receiving true and perfect lists of

## EDITORIAL

*A Backward Step!*

The good citizens who do not vote offered a fine example of their power at the annual meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation Monday evening. We have in mind particularly the action in regard to continuing the employment of a night police officer. Of the entire population of the village area only 11 people were interested enough to allow their opinion, six of whom chose to "pass over the article."

For more than 25 years, since there has been any interest in local night police protection, the Citizen has supported the project although there have been a few long lapses in such service. We believe that any protection at all is much better than none, and there have been wide variations in the services rendered. With few if any exceptions the officers employed have performed the duties asked by the assessors or expected by the taxpayers.

It is our opinion that a dozen officers would be unable to prevent all mischief or law-breaking;

that one man on duty can and has done much to promote safety and protection of persons and property; that knowledge of the employment has a real effect in minimizing the varied acts of hoodlumism which are latent in even the best communities.

The successful performance of a policeman's duties is taken for granted and is likely to go without much thought or appreciation during the long periods when all goes smoothly. Little services rendered to inhabitants or travelers are needed and worthwhile. The value of a frequent inspection of the village is generally admitted to be a good safeguard against fires and for the good of the general public.

Before the community suffers the ill effects which may occur as the result of Monday night's action, it is our hope that interest may be aroused toward continuing or resuming this needed function of government.

## Economic Highlights . . .

Happenings That Affect the Future of Every Individual — National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare.

If yours is an average American family it costs you the neat sum of \$100 a year just to pay your share of the paperwork done by the federal government.

That is one of the startling facts produced in a newly-published Hoover Commission report, which goes into the paperwork problems in detail and makes certain recommendations for reorganization and reform.

Everyone who has served in one of the armed forces has had personal experience with the extent and complexity of government record keeping and other paperwork. It has been the subject of innumerable jokes and anecdotes. But it's no laughing matter, when considered in the light of its cost in time, effort and money. And while this is a problem of some magnitude in industry as well, it seems that it has reached its most acute and wasteful form in the huge federal establishment.

As a result of a prior Hoover Commission study, changes were made in methods of handling government records that have saved nearly \$25,000,000 in a single year. But that notable effort has touched only a relatively small portion of the government's paperwork activity. According to this new report, the government creates and handles some 25,000,000 pieces of paper each year, not counting that used in manuals, pamphlets, and the like. This requires the services of more than 220,000 full-time employees. And it costs \$4,000,000,000 a year—which, by way of comparison, is about equal to the whole federal budget prior to 22 years ago!

The paperwork takes various forms. Some 18,000,000,000 of the sheets are printed or mimeographed. More than 1,000,000,000 are individual letters—and to write these costs \$1,000,000,000 or a dollar each.

The government has hundreds of millions of dollars invested in office equipment, and office space for the paperwork employs costs \$180,000,000 annually. There are more than 23,000,000 cubic feet of federal agency records—which, the report observes, are enough to fill seven buildings the size of the gigantic Pentagon.

The increase in paperwork came, of course, with the enormous growth of the government in recent years. And, in some instances at least, the paperwork grew faster. In 1912 writing of individual letters per government employee totaled 55; now it totals about 622 a year. In addition to the cost in money, the volume of paperwork imposed upon top federal employees interferes with their basic responsibilities. The report finds that this paperwork, along with various laws and regulations, makes these positions far more difficult than those of the top officers of large corporations.

At the end the report makes a number of specific suggestions for cutting down on the paperwork and effecting other allied reforms. It estimates that savings could be made as follows: In correspondence, \$75,000,000; in forms, \$50,000,000; in reports, \$50,000,000; in record keeping, \$50,000,000; in mail handling, \$30,000,000. That adds up to \$250,000,000, which could be saved the taxpayers in this one field of government activity alone. The report urges that early action be taken.

THE LOW DOWN  
FROM  
HICKORY GROVEIT'S UP TO YOU  
By Howard E. Kershner, L.H.D.

"pool things" I have heard is the topic. And what is foolishness or foolish is what keeps an editor on his toes—what to print makes his dilemma chronic. Some samples let little Pansy and little Jasper drift in their own moods even if it is robbing honey from the ivy of epiphany. French, you know. And juvenile delinquency grows under the proverbial green bay tree. And another to worry ya ed. "Commemorations and growth via ignorance." And Mr. Ed knows that the left-handed man or dame with warped motives uses words with more epithets than does half the popular or even his ownself.

"Women will clean up politics"—brighten the evening sun—sweeten the landscape. Remember? And "it's up to bonds for a light plant or a water works and take the profit car owners." Bonds stand. And with such a tax exempt project on the towns bands, the tide is run on the estuary to pay the tides. The citizenry gains one more useless headache per each project.

Editors have their foxy projects and you don't feel 'em too often like the 2nd street sweepers eating their trash alongside the curb. Chaffy says to Dugay, he says, Dugay, that Ed knows and he better not think I am a big bank of old grannies or something. Well says Dugay, you know, he says. Can't say it is hard to feel a fly.

Years with the low down,  
JO BEHRNA

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## "USE THE STAIRS!"



## DALE CARNEGIE

★ AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING" ★

CHARLES M. SCHWAB was one of the greatest industrialists America has ever produced—and she has produced many. What made him great? You decide after reading something I wrote about him in this column years ago. I believe you will agree with me that it is good enough to use a second time.

The men in one of the mills of the big steel company were not producing as much as they could. Mr. Schwab spoke to the manager:

"How is it that a man as capable as you are can't get higher production?"

"I can't say," said the manager. "I've coaxed those men; I've pushed them; I've sworn at them, and I've threatened them. But nothing succeeds."

Mr. Schwab picked up a piece of chalk and marked on the floor a big figure 6.

It was almost time for the night shift to come on. When they did their curiosity was aroused by the figure.

"The Big Boss was here today," explained a man. "He asked how many heats we made and when I told him six, he wrote it on the floor."

The next morning Mr. Schwab again had a look around. The figure he had chalked down was gone and a figure 7 was there. That was the number of heats the night shift made.

Well, to shorten this story, those two shifts, night and day, began competing with each other. It wasn't long before this mill was turning out more work than any other in the plant.

make a comeback when the people, 'purchasing power' over it is lost—lose their sense of personal responsibility...and their fundamental respect for the system that underlies all economic progress—the proper property system—under which all men have the same opportunity..."

"Management ability and judgment would be crippled by government controls, government domination of business, if the opponents of our business system had their way. And employees, in particular, are being told that all we need for prosperity is plenty of

"The first duty of the American businessman is not to his com-

pany but to his country, because

there will be no American system

of business as we have known it unless our country continues strong

and vital, and measures up to its

awesome responsibility in the

world."—Clarence B. Randall, Board Chairman, Inland Steel Company.

SCANNING THE NEWS

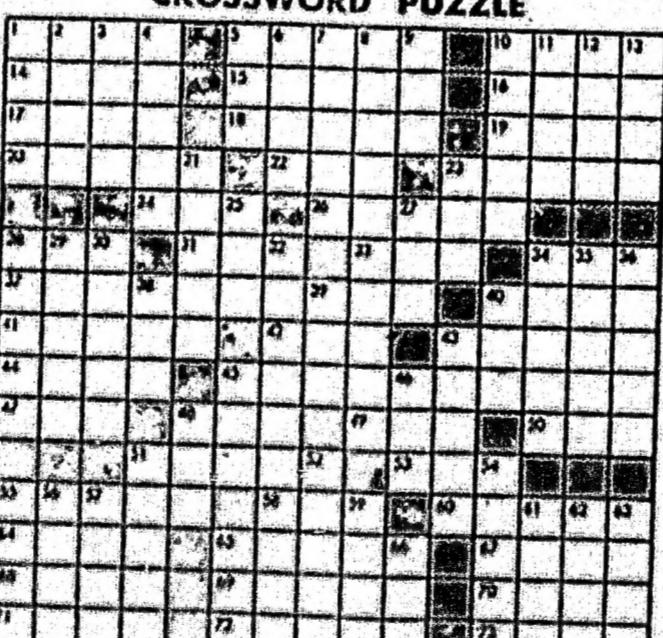
THERE is every indication that the present probe by the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy into the hows and whys of the Atomic Energy Commission's handling of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and the application of atomic energy to private business, may mushroom into a full-scale investigation as a result of which some heads may roll.

Even to the uninitiated in the atomic energy field, the country and the rapid development of atomic energy for peacetime purposes in industry, medicine and agriculture are being hurt because there is no top-grade industrialist on the Commission; the Commission is deadlocked at present due to dissension; its able chairman, Lewis L. Strauss, is attempting to play the role of dictator on the Commission, while the law makes each commissioner equal; the Commission is being used as a political football and a power broker in the fight between public vs private power, when such an issue has no place on the Commission's agenda. All told, the country's most important independent government agency, in charge of its most important national security measures, is floundering along with three members when there should be five, two of the three members are at sword's point and the third tries to play he's not there.

What is happening is that impudent people who have been trained by years of service with the Commission are leaving almost daily.

The Joint Committee on Atomic Energy of the Congress, under the

## CROSSWORD PUZZLE



**BRYANT POND**

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. —  
Mrs. Mildred Wescott and Mrs. Fannie Cummings attended the New England Flower Show at Boston this week, returning home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour McAllister spent the week end at their camp at North Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. Volney Lakeway have returned home from Florida, where they stayed for two months this winter.

Harold Dunlap was at Moosehead Lake with friends from Rangeley, for a few days fishing trip this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Parker Allen went to Boston Saturday. She entered the Bournewood Hospital, Brookline, Mass., for treatment.

The Association of Universalist Women met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Leslie Russ with good attendance. Cards were sent to ill members. It was voted to meet Monday afternoon, April 4, and clean the church.

Mrs. Eva Mills entertained the Star Birthday Club at her home Tuesday evening with 24 members present. She was assisted by Mrs. Ida Farnum, Mrs. Edith Hathaway and Mrs. Kathleen Cox. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses. The Committee for the April meeting will be Mrs. Grace Day, Mrs. Dora Ford, Mrs. Jeanette Tibbets and Mrs. Bessie Billings.

The officers of Jefferson Chapter, QES, will be installed at a special meeting Friday night, March 25, with supper served at 6:30. D. D.G.M. Eugenia Dickson, Canton, will be the installing officer.

Young People's Night will be observed by Franklin Grange, at the meeting Saturday evening, March 19, with Daniel Cole as Master. The first and second degrees will be conferred and a tasting party enjoyed after the meeting.

The Grange Minstrel Show with combined talent from West Paris and Franklin Granges will be presented at West Paris Friday night, March 18, and at Bryant Pond, Tuesday night, March 22, at the Grange Hall.

Judith Grover Tent No. 17, met at the home of Mrs. Bessie Andrews Monday night with all officers excepting one, present. Thirty-three calls were made by the members. It was voted to give \$2.00 to the Red Cross drive. Voted to hold a rummage sale the last week in April, to help defray expenses for Memorial Day. Donations may be left with Mrs. Bessie Andrews at any time. A food and candy sale will also be held at that time. Sister Bessie House thanked the tent for gifts received while she was ill. A letter was received from Mrs. Hattie Brown, telling of illness during the winter, but of her improvement.

**SOUTH ALBANY**

— Mrs. Roy Wardwell, Corres. —  
Mr. and Mrs. Omar Giberson from Bingham, were guests at Leon Kimball's and Roy Wardwell's on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Dunham, Roland Dunham, Ruth Noyes and Arthur Andrews were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wardwell and daughters on Sunday.

Stephen Cummings and son, Stephen, from Norway were Sunday callers at Roy Wardwell's.

Fred Wentworth is cutting birch on his lot in this place. George Lowe and George Wentworth are working for him.

Roy Kimball from Waterford was the guest of his cousin, Hazel Wardwell on Saturday.

Rev. Herbert Houghton called at Leon Kimball's and Wardwell's on Saturday.

**LOCKE MILLS**

— Mrs. Florence Swift, Cor. —  
Miss Colleen Tibbets, South Bethel, was a week end guest of Miss Madeline Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gillman, Norfolk, Va., have been the guests of their mother, Mrs. Frank Vesquaky, and brother, Joseph Vesquaky.

Eialine Kimball, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mellen Kimball, suffered a broken arm in a fall last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swift were in Lewiston on business last Friday.

Miss Phyllis Kimball entertained six of her friends at a party celebrating her thirteenth birthday, March 11. Present were Elizabeth Sumner, Carmen and Louise Martin, Sandra Mason, Beverly Roberts and Joy Fuller. Refreshments of birthday cake and ice cream were served. The honor guest received many gifts.

Lewis Cole Jr. and James Blanchard have gone to work in the Exco Tibbets mill. Mrs. Dorothy Pulkinen is also working in the mill.

Lloyd Hathaway, Abington, Mass., called on Clinton Littlefield, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Davis and son, Terry, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kimball.

Manley Abbott, Mechanic Falls, visited LaForest Kimball for the week end.

**THE BAFFLES**

By Mahoney

**Middle Intervale Road**

— Mary C. Stanley, Corres. —  
Mrs. Arthur Parker of Crystal, N. H., is spending some time with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Clyde Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward were in Conway, N. H., to attend the funeral of his brother-in-law, Fred.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennagh and Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Kennagh and family were in South Paris, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brown have returned from their trip to Florida.

**WEST GREENWOOD**

— Mrs. Paul W. Croteau, Cor. —  
Alden Wilson was in Rumford one evening last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Riley of Beverly, Mass., were recent callers at Joe Deegan's.

Dennis Wilson was in Beecher Falls, Vt., one day last week.

Sunday callers at Alden Wilson's were Gayden Davis and daughter, Ethel, and son Thomas, of West Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and children and Mrs. Smith's brother of Norway.

Miss Gloria Dennis and Malvern Wilson were in Berlin, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Erving Mills, Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mills of Locke Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kimball of Sunday River were recent callers of Mrs. Amy Dunker's.

Miss Gloria Wilson accompanied Malvern Wilson to Rumford, Sunday.

**GREENWOOD CITY**

— Mrs. Collista Morgan, Cor. —  
Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Heath Jr. of Norway were recent callers at Mrs. Tolvo Tamland's.

Mrs. Fred Curtis was in Lewiston, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Tamminen of Yarmouth were callers Friday evening at Linnie Cole's.

Supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan, Sunday, were Mr. and Mrs. George Emmons, Norton Emmons and daughter, Joy, of Woodstock.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardell Hayes of Norway were Sunday callers at Roland Hayes'.

Calvin Cole and Sunday School class met at Leonas Holt's, Sunday morning.

Greenwood City School

Kenneth Curtis missed his first day of school on Thursday.

Mr. Christie brought us in some nice bird and animal charts. Even grade I is learning birds.

So far the only kind of birds we have had in our bird feeder are the chickadees. It is on our window sill.

We have a crust and are having lots of fun on it.

We have started working on our marionettes. We hope to have them dressed and up soon.

Grades V, VI, and VII have made

Synopsis of the annual statement of FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE CO., Concord, N. H., on the 31st day of December 1954 made to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of New Hampshire

ASSETS

Bonds \$2,311,802.94

Stocks 11,011.00

Real Estate Owned 35,756.57

Cash and Bank Deposits 362,031.80

Other Assets 21,129.28

Total Assets \$2,771,711.69

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS

Reserve for Losses \$453,159.45

Less Adjustment Expenses 65,894.52

Unearned Premiums 347,227.07

Taxes 51,134.08

All Other Liabilities 24,327.61

Total Liabilities \$644,770.23

Unassigned Funds (Surplus) \$1,726,920.46

Surplus as regards Policy Holders \$1,726,920.46

Surplus Total \$2,671,711.69

**SUNDAY RIVER**

— Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres. —

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Williamson received word Thursday that Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Williamson of New York City are the proud parents of a baby boy born March 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Jackson are the parents of a baby boy born at the Rumford Community Hospital. He makes the number even, four boys and four girls.

Jack Dufault had the misfortune to lose one of his horses.

We had our first thunderstorm Friday afternoon and soon after the storm was over several sun-

mer birds arrived in the yard for food. The crow has been here since Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dufault of Auburn were in town Sunday.

Charles and Philip Runnels have enjoyed a lost or abandoned hound dog to play with this past week.

Bryce Yates and Carl Nowlin have gone to Vermont to watch the maple syrup harvest.

Bryce Yates and Carroll Yates went to Portland last Monday where Bryce purchased a new Ford pick up truck.

David Fleet, Carl Nowlin and Bryce Yates were in Lewiston and Portland last Thursday.

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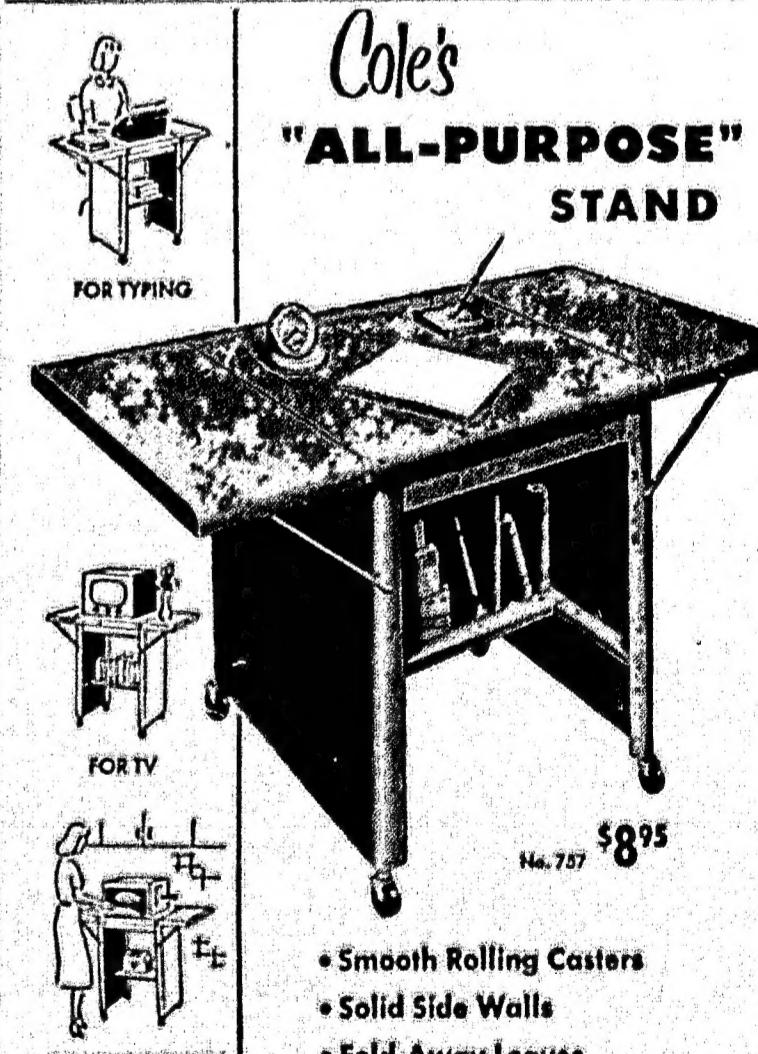
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Thursday, March 17  
Read I Corinthians 1:14-9.  
God is faithful who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. (I Corinthians 10:13).

ONE winter night many years ago, I had an appointment to meet one of our missionaries who was on furlough. It was snowing. When the missionary stepped out of the carriage, his luggage opened and a great number of small belongings fell into the snow.

I was astonished to see the missionary's calm reaction to the disturbing incident. "It is well," he said. "that it did not happen when I walked the tawny plants from the steamer." His self-discipline was very impressive to my young heart. How could he be so unaffected?"Why did he not burst out in

exclamations, even in anger?" Was he unconcerned about his property? Really he did have a reaction. His reaction was based on the fact that he had had for many years gone to the school of God. There he had learned to master his temper, to discipline himself. So it was that God, who is faithful, did not let this missionary be worried, but made him always a way to escape.

Prayer  
Our Father, Thou hast begun a good work in us. Show us this day Thy way, instill in us Thy spirit, that we may be led to Christ. Grant us joy of heart as we submit ourselves to disciplined living. We pray in the name of Christ. Amen.

Thought For The Day  
In that Christ Himself has suffered being tempted, He is able to help us who are tempted.  
Vilh. Wangqvist (Sweden)

that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing." John 3:6.

Authorized Christian Science Literature may be found in the public library.

BRYANT POND UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Sunday Worship Service, at 9:30. Rev Gordon Newell, Pastor.

Church School at 10:45. Mrs Lea Abbott, Sup't.

Monday Lecture March 21, at 7:30 by Rev Gordon Newell. Subject, "What Do We Believe About Hell and Heaven?"

Fellowship Club meeting, Wednesday evening, March 23, with pot luck supper at 6:30 preceding the meeting. Capt Harry Lyon Parks, will be the speaker.

Thursday, March 24, Fellowship Club meeting at Linnell's Motel, Rumford.

CUB SCOUTS

Den 6 - We met at Mrs Brown's. We worked on shoulder pads for Knights of Honor. We had refreshments and gave the salute and promise - Denner, Billy Boynton.

NORWAY

Moderator: Dr Arthur W Easton. Clerk: Georgia G Bryant. Selectmen: Henry E Packard, to end unexpired term to March, 1956; Ralph P Kneeland, 2 years.

Treasurer, Collector, and Road Commissioner: Town Mgr. Maynard B Cardno.

School Committee for three years, John A Foster.

Appropriations

Roads and Bridges \$11,000.00  
Snow Removal 11,000.00  
School Maintenance 76,760.00

School Repairs 3,100.00

High School Tuition 23,000.00

Public Health Nurse 150.00

Advertising Maine 200.00

Interest 1,500.00

Memorial Day 150.00

Report of Poor 10,200.00

Officers' Salaries 7,700.00

Total Appropriations \$204,256.28

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## NEARLY 100,000 FARMERS PURCHASED FROM EASTERN STATES IN 1954

Almost 100,000 northeastern farmers purchased \$85,947,776 worth of farm production supplies through Eastern States Farmers' Exchange in 1954 according to Edmund C Smith, Bethel. He is a member of the board of directors of the association which serves farmers in the six New England states, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland.

After meeting expenses and allocating funds for capital purposes, there remained \$2,440,178 which will be returned to members and patrons in cash about May 1, and represents a refund of two and 84/100 cents per dollar of members' purchases.

Many commodity lines showed increases in distribution during the past year. Members purchased 770,357 tons of feed for poultry, dairy herds and other livestock; 131,013 tons of fertilizer, 17,233,951 pounds of field seeds and several million dollars' worth of other supplies such as paint, roofing,

## BETHEL TAKES LOCKE MILLS TOWNIES 78-64

Locke Mills Townies were outscored by the Bethel Townies in a game played at Bryant Pond last Friday by a margin of 78-64.

	K	L	P
Bethel	4	0	8
Chase, f	3	3	9
Coolidge	8	2	18
White	6	1	13
Soule, c	1	0	2
Lord, g	6	4	16
Kendall	6	0	12
Carten	0	0	0
Totals	34	10	78
Locke Mills	5	1	10
Dunham, f	4	2	10
Corkum	0	0	18
Mason, c	6	3	13
Seames, g	2	0	4
Jordan	3	8	14
Melville	2	1	6
Totals	25	14	64
Bethel	26	36	76
Locke Mills	15	30	61
Ref.: Whitman, 4 10s.			

Services provided by Eastern States Farmers' Exchange are all aimed at helping secure greater prosperity for farmers in more than 1000 communities. The association owns two large feed mills in Buffalo, New York and Huron, Ohio.

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THANK YOU

Our sincere thanks to Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Lewiston, Keyes Fibre Co., Waterville, Oxford Pickle Co. of South Paris, the Sunday River Ramblers, Mt. Walter Marcus and the school band, the local merchants and all others that have contributed in any way in making our P. T. A. Fair such a success. This was our 5th Annual event and it was wonderful the way parents, teachers and friends all worked together for the good of the P. T. A.

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Whereas Roger H. Mills, Jr., and Dorothy J. Mills, both of Andover in the County of Oxford and State of Maine by their mortgage dated July 21, 1954, and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 631, Pages 691 and 692 conveyed to the Bethel Savings Bank, a corporation established by law at Bethel in the County of Oxford and State of Maine the following described real estate:

A certain lot or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Andover Corner Village in said Andover and bounded and described as follows: beginning at a stone post at the southeast corner of the schoolhouse lot and running easterly on the road to land owned and occupied by F. M. Thomas; thence northerly on line of land of said Thomas to the County Road; thence westerly on said road to the schoolhouse lot; thence southerly on said schoolhouse lot line to the place of beginning.

Using the same premises as conveyed to Roger H. Mills, Jr. and Dorothy J. Mills by warranty deed of Neal D. Bedwell dated October 16, 1952 and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 622, Page 368.

Now therefore, by reason of breach of the conditions thereof the said Bethel Savings Bank claims a foreclosure of said mortgage. Dated at Bethel, Maine this eighteenth day of February, A. D. 1955.

## Bethel Savings Bank

By D. Grover Brooks,

Treasurer

(Seal)

State of Maine  
Oxford, as February 18, 1955  
Subscribed and sworn to by the  
said D. Grover Brooks, Treasurer  
of said Bethel Savings Bank, before  
me.

Henry H. Hastings

Notary Public

8-11

TO THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES  
OF THE TOWN OF BETHEL,  
MAINE

## SCHOOL NEWS

## Grade 4

Many of us went to the PTA Fair and had a good time. We thought the decorations looked very nice. We were glad we could help make some of them. Erland Noyes won third prize in the poster contest. Mrs Ring's room has had perfect attendance two days this week. Grade 5 - Mrs. Kneeland

Peter Davis attended Andover Winter Carnival on Saturday. He entered the Junior ski jumping contest and won fourth place. Congratulations, Peter! In arithmetic we are working in Fractions and enjoying them. Today in English we wrote friendly letters. And we are going to study pronouns. -Loretta Hutchinson made us a large kite that we can fly. The girls take turns with the boys in flying it. My! But we are having fun! Thank you Mr Hutchinson. - Loretta brought a new plant for our room -Vickie Angevine.

Mrs. Hastings' Room

The people who got a gold star in spelling test were Bertha Kimball, Lorraline Olson, Emerson Merrill and Sharon Nowlin. Our geraniums are blossoming. The people who have read the most books in our room are Charles Newell and Allan Ring. - Stephen Saunders brought a starling to school. -Wayne Perry in our room got second prize for selling tickets for PTA. He got \$3.00. -Sharon York's birthday was Friday. We sang to her. -We are learning how to spell our New England States. In our room we made March pictures. In writing we got a gold star. -Lorraine Olson, Alfreda Leighton. Grade 6 -Mrs. Lord

Grover and Phyllis Cooldige. -There was a committee chosen to do something about the annual fair the eighth grade puts on. They are Porter Farwell, chairman; Evelyn Winslow, Gloria Burris, Ruth Stevens, Eleanor Lord, Robert Felt and Carolyn Mills. -Reporters: Lee Ann Crover and Gloria Burris. Grade 8 -Mrs. Lurvey

The class enjoyed an interesting movie on early New England on Tuesday, March 15. -Everyone is working hard on astronomy which we are studying in Science. -The winner for the Spelling Bee from the sixth grades is Claire Berry. In Language, we have recently been having proof-reading. -Claire Berry and Lorenda Freeman received honorable mention for their PTA posters. -How can you make six sticks equal one hundred. Answer next week. -Reporters: Lucia Feltler, Dixie Lee Brown.

Grade 8 -Miss Varner

We are very glad that our room brought in the most money for the PTA Fair. It was \$46.75. Roy Newell got third prize for selling \$21 worth of tickets. -The people in our room who made posters were Donna and Donnie Rice, Nikki Millin, Virginia Mason, and Buddy Noyes. Nikki was glad to get one of the prizes. -In the spelling contest the last six in standing were Peter Stowell, Jean Waterhouse, Jeffery Hutchins, Kenneth Heath, Mary Willard and Merry Ring. Peter was the runner-up against the winner, Claire Berry, who is in Mrs. Lord's room. -We all enjoyed a movie today, "Dear Nancy." It was about colonial days in New England in the 1800's. -In English we are studying adjectives. -We are all glad that the test in arithmetic is over. -Reporter, Merry Ring.

Grade 7 -Mrs. Gunther

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## GOULD ACADEMY

## Gould Interclass Basketball

The first round of the Gould Interclass games was completed last Friday with the seniors leading with three victories against no defeats. The varsity lettermen are not eligible for competition but they do the officiating, scoring and act as coaches for the class teams. The results of the first round games are as follows: Seniors 37, Freshmen 16; Juniors 29, Sophomores 20; Seniors 26, Sophomores 14; Juniors 40, Freshmen 22; Seniors 37, Juniors 25; Sophomores 23, Freshmen 17.

Leading scorers are Cooldige of the Seniors with 40 points, Hill of the Juniors with 33, and Edgcomb of the Sophomores with 31. The second and final round is being played this Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The annual William Rogers Chapman Club Concert under the direction of Walter Marcuse, director of music, will be held in William Bingham Gym on Friday, March 18, at 8 p. m.

The Regional Science Fair for all high schools in this area will be held at Gould Academy on Saturday, March 19.

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## WEST BETHEL

## Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres.

Pleasant Valley Grange met Thursday night with nine members and one visitor present. A letter was read from Waterford Grange asking a donation for a grange room at Norway Hospital. It was decided to find out more details before any action was taken.

Refreshment committee for next meeting is Mrs Norman Hall, Mrs Robert Gilbert and Mrs Kathleen Bennett.

Refreshments were furnished by Mr and Mrs George Gilbert and Mrs Arthur Gilbert.

Mrs Joyce Thibault, Mrs Francis Bennett, Craig Boyd, Mrs Shirley Gilbert and Mrs Arthur Gilbert were in Berlin, Thursday.

Mr Richard Walker and Diana were in Shelburne, Thursday.

Mr and Mrs George Gilbert were in Ashland the first of the week. Mrs Robert Clough was in Bangor the first of the week for several days.

The Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club will sponsor a dance at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall, Friday, March 18, at 8:30 p. m. Lon Wright's Orchestra will furnish music.

Mr and Mrs Bruce Bartlett of Hamilton, Mass., were weekend guests of Mr and Mrs Clarence Rolfe.

Weekend guests of Mr and Mrs Roland Kneeland were Mr and Mrs Frederick Kneeland and family, Clinton; Miss Mary Kneeland, who attends Gorham State Teachers College, Gorham; and John Heath of Marblehead, Mass.

Mrs Paul Head and M/Sgt. John Head were guests of Mrs Elsie Merrill, Weston, Mass., the first of the week. Mrs Head attended the Flower Show in Boston while there.

Mr and Mrs Roy Newton were in Rumford Saturday. They called on Fred Newton.

Mr and Mrs Roy Newton were

## CUB SCOUTS

Bethel Cub Scouts Den No. 1 met at the home of Mrs Shirley Clough, Den Mother. There were 8 Cubs present, Den Chief Dennis Grenier, and guest, Wayne Perry. Peter Davis opened the meeting. The boys reported on work they had done on their badges, then worked on this month's project. We are making knight's armor, shields, etc. Refreshments were served. -Erland Noyes, reporter.

supper guests of Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews last Tuesday in honor of Mrs Newton's birthday.

Thomas Burrill underwent surgery at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, Monday.

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**Conservation Farming  
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Soil Conservation Service

The Board of Supervisors of the Oxford County Soil Conservation District met last week at the home of Laurence Marston for their regular monthly meeting. Philip G. Andrews, Fryeburg; Bertrand Buck, Buckfield, and Warren Abbott of Rumford were other members of the board present.

The operating budget for the year was completed and one item of particular interest was one for the purchase of some young seedling trees from the State Nursery in Orono. These young trees will be used to plant a portion of the District's lot in Brownfield. This is an area that was burned over during the large fire in the fall of 1947. This land was given to the District by the Brooks family of Brownfield. As many of you know there are many thousands of acres of this burned-over land in the Brownfield area. It is only growing scrub oak and other poor quality trees and if left to nature will be valueless for many, many years.

The Supervisors are interested to see if the District-owned tree planter can be successfully used in this area. Some clearing will no doubt be necessary prior to planting. The Supervisors hope that by trying this on a limited scale that they may be able to gather some information on the costs of planting under the conditions that exist over a large portion of the Brownfield burn area.

The Supervisors fully realize that there are many areas that could never be planted but they do feel that it is worth the time and money to do a little experimenting. Another important budget item was one for the purchase of a sod cutter. This is needed to cut pieces of sod that can be placed in gullies, waterways, and other areas where it has been impossible to establish a satisfactory sod by seeding. Be sure to watch your fields as the snow begins to melt and see if maybe you could have used a cover crop on some parts of your land.

I was in Bethel last week and talked with Herbert Lyon who plans to start setting out an apple orchard this spring. In addition to needing a pond for a good water supply Mr. Lyon also is interested in setting out this orchard on the contour, or level.

This land is located on what they call the Grover Hill Road and most of the fields are quite steep. Contour, or level planting, is aimed at overcoming several common problems that face the average apple grower. Probably the greatest advantage is in the case of spraying where very heavy equipment is involved. In the case of Mr. Lyon, his water supply will be located above his orchard and, therefore, all hauling with a full spray tank will be down hill, or on the level. This will offer a considerable saving in fuel costs plus a saving of wear and tear on the tractor. In addition the rats formed by the heavy spraying equipment in wet weather will not present the erosion problem that it would on up and down hill spraying.

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## LAFF OF THE WEEK



"Well, if we have to go to the poorhouse at least I'd have something decent to wear on the trip!"

### SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Olive P. Davis, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis M. Davis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bryant at Bryant Pond.

Rev. and Mrs. Alton Verrill returned home from their trip South on Saturday. They visited their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Verrill, of Providence, R. I., a while before returning home.

Mrs. Herman Bean is in the Rumford Community Hospital. She underwent an operation Thursday and is doing as well as can be expected at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Heikkinen, Walno and Martha Heikkinen, took in the clam dinner at Bryant Pond Sunday.

Ben Wilson has purchased another car.

Charles Banc, who has lived with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Davis for so long, passed away Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Walton Corbett.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sturtevant, son Roger, and granddaughter, called on Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Davis, Sunday evening.

Union School Primary 100% Spelling list were John Cox, Roger Benson, Nancy Kennan, Carol Shiver, Jackson Andrews, Joyce Hawkes, Leon Poland Jr., Judith and Donna Poland, Nancy Koskelo, Sylvia Cox, Alicia Cash, Pamela Jagger.

Laying out an orchard in this manner is that proper consideration can be given to the needs of an adequate drainage system. Often times diversion ditches are needed to divert excess runoff water away from the orchard fields. Tile drainage is also often needed on orchards and the layout of both these types of drainage systems are very much easier on contour planted orchards.

An apple orchard is certainly a long-term proposition and considerable thought should be given to the need of an adequate drainage system and the layout of trees for ease of spraying and harvest before a single tree is planted. Our County Agent, Frank Hagen, recommends a tree spacing of 40 feet by 40 feet, and this would require about 25 trees per acre.

Any of you folks that are interested in setting out orchards and would like assistance in establishing a complete drainage system and contour layout, should contact the Soil Conservation Service office at South Paris.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
We wish to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy and their beautiful floral tributes during our recent sorrow. Especially to Dr. Benton, Dr. Greenleaf and Rev. Carter and to our many wonderful friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness which were shown.

**Mrs. Clyde Brooks**  
Mrs. Dolores Lane  
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brooks and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Brooks and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Brooks and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Chretien and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Neddy Hanscom and family  
Mr. and Mrs. Lynwood Wheeler

I wish to thank all the Deacons and Committees members for the way they have worked with me while I was Deacon. I have sent in my resignation to the Deacons of the Congregational Church to take effect immediately.

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### V. A. NEWS LETTER

Maine veterans who are receiving a \$60.15 or \$78.75 monthly pension for non-service-connected disability, and who now need the regular aid and attendance of another person, may be entitled to an additional award to increase their pension to \$135.45, according to M. L. Stoddard, Manager of the Veterans Administration Center, Togus.

Veterans so stricken should apply to VA for the "aid and attendance" benefit, as VA does not automatically review pension cases now on its rolls to determine if they qualify for the added award, Stoddard said. The effective date of the "aid and attendance" award is the date the claim is filed.

Pensions are payable to war veterans, subject to certain income

limitations, who become permanently and totally disabled from causes not due to service. The veteran must have served at least 90 days, unless discharged sooner for a line-of-duty disability, and must have a discharge other than dishonorable.

The basic pension rate is \$60.15 a month, which is increased to \$78.75 a month after ten years of continuous receipt or when the

veteran reaches age 65.

The "aid and attendance" rate of \$135.45 will not be paid during periods when the veteran is being hospitalized by the VA or furnished

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VA hospital for care. Will my "aid and attendance" award be taken away while I'm in the hospital?

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**WEST PARIS**

— Mrs. Roxie Inman, Corcoran.

**ROBBINS - SAAKINEN**

Miss Julia Saarinen, daughter of Mrs. Helen Saarinen of West Paris,

became the bride of Arthur Robbins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robbins, of Norway, on Sunday, March 6, at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. Gordon Newell, Universalist Church, South Paris. The bride was attended by her cousin, Miss Alli Immonen, of West Paris. Philip Whittemore acted as best man.

Mrs. Robbins and her attendant wore gray suits with corsages of red roses. Immediately following the ceremony a small reception for the immediate family and friends was held at the home of the bride's mother. Mrs. Robbins was graduated from West Paris High School in 1938 and is employed in the office of Cornwall Wood Products Co., South Paris. Mr. Robbins was educated in the Norway schools and is in the dairy farming business with his father. They are at home on Cottage Street, Norway.

**CHARLES E. BANE**

Charles E. Bane died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Corbett, South Paris, on Sunday, March 13, where he had been taken five weeks ago following a heart attack. Born in Ripley, Maine, May 13, 1874, son of Hiram and Elmira Harmon Bane. His wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Fuller, died 23 years ago. He was a 50 year member of Penobscot Lodge No. 39 AF and AM of Dexter. A resident of West Paris until seven years ago when he moved to South Woodstock to the home of Ellis Davis. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Corbett, South Paris, and Mrs. Leon Penley, West Paris; two sons, Earle, of Portland and Clayton, of Bethel; one brother, Jephtha Bane of Dexter; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Funeral serv-

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Meets first and third Monday evenings. N. G. Blanche Berryment, Rec. Secretary. Hilda Donahue.**Purity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S.**  
Meets first Wednesday evenings. W. M. Helen Morton, Secretary. Ethel Blase.**Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 184.**  
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— Mrs. Seymour McAllister of Bryant Pond were week end guests at the camp on Wight's Brook.

Harold Brooke of Whitehall, N.Y., was an overnight guest of Willis Brooke and family who returned to New York with him on Saturday for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hale of Norwich, Conn., were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wight, West Paris. Philip Whittemore acted as best man.

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— Mrs. Leon Enman assisted by Mrs. Lawrence Vail of Dedham, Mass., was hostess at an open house on Wednesday afternoon and evening, March 9, in observance of the ninetieth birthday of her mother, Mrs. Ida Vail.

Mrs. Vail is enjoying good health and takes an active interest in the events of today. It was a great joy to her to have with her on this glad day her six children. That her occasion meant much to her was evidenced by her gracious smile as she greeted her many callers as

they brought their gifts and good wishes.

Delicious refreshments including four birthday cakes made by Mrs. Rae Bartholomew, Mrs. Louise Learned and Mrs. Elsie Enman, were served.

The guests included the following: Mrs. Hartley Hanscom, Roger Hanscom, Miss Amy Hanscom, Arthur Gauthier, Mrs. Bessie Learned, Mrs. George Learned, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lane, Mrs. Rae Bartholomew, Miss Jean Bartholomew, Mrs. Priscilla Buck, Mrs. Karlene Bachelder, Miss Clara Bachelder, Mrs. Eloise Vail, Miss Martha Vail, Mrs. Jennie Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Morton, Mrs. Sue Brooke, Miss Susie Brooke, Mrs. Atha Richardson, Miss Patricia Learned, Miss Melvina Learned, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vail, John Vail, Mrs. Selma Chapman, Lon Wight, Miss Carrie Wight, Mrs. Ida Wight, Mrs. Verna Sterling, George Wight, Mrs. Ethelene Wight.

Those from out-of-town were:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bushley, Rumford;

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jarvis, Mexico;

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vail and Guy Vail, Dedham, Mass.; Mr.

and Mrs. Richard Blake and Steven Blake, Bethel; Mrs. Virginia Brown, Bethel; Mrs. Maud Brown, Grafton. Those sending greetings and gifts were: Mrs. Bertha Davis, Mrs. Grace Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Powers, Mrs. Cora Powers, Mrs. Clara Ferren, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Durgin, Mrs. Ruth Cummings, Walter Enman, Mrs. Daisy Morton, Mrs. Ella Cole, Mrs. Effie Akers, Mrs. Daisy Morton, Doris and Merle Bushley, Mrs. Elvina Enman, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Newell, Mr. and Mrs. James Browns, Mr.

oration and Banquet held last Thursday evening at the New Berlin House, Berlin, N. H.

Miss Margaret Perham, Bates College, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perham.

Week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Inman were John Ours,

Virginia, John Crapkowski, Indiana; Dale Knight, Kentucky; and Byron H. Inman, all of the United States Navy. Sunday guests were Mrs. Ella Whitney, Oxford, and Miss Constance Dobbins, Norway.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Inman were: Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Ackley and two daughters of Amesbury, Mass.; Miss Rosalie Buck of Fitchburg, Mass., and Durward Buck, Boston.

Mrs. Lena Mustonen visited her son-in-law and Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Bradford at Boston, Sunday.

Mrs. Heta Proctor, Mrs. Lila Ellingwood and Mrs. Martha Hollis attended the Flower Show in Boston on Sunday.

Miss Marilyn Staples, Oxford High teacher, was a Sunday guest of Miss Katie Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Perham were dinner guests of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Merrill, South Paris, on Tuesday.

Donald Briggs returned home from the CMG Hospital on Saturday.

Mrs. Avis Ellingwood had the misfortune of fracturing a bone in her foot last week.

Ned Herrick is confined to his home by a painful foot injury.

Mrs. Amy Farrar, Sumner, is assisting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Emery. Mr. Emery is gaining slowly.

Dennie Doughty has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force.

Miss Rosalie Buck, Fitchburg, Mass., and Durward Buck, Boston, spent the week end with their mother, Mrs. Bertha Buck and grandmother, Mrs. Winnie Ridlon.

A luncheon show under the auspices of West Paris Grange and Franklin Grange, Bryant Pond will be presented at the West Paris Grange Hall, Friday evening, March 18 at eight o'clock, with the following program: Chorus, "Dixie," "Smiles," "Side by Side"; Pickaninni dance, Barbara Haskell, Carl and Ann Twitchell, Timmy Lago and Joel Warner; Tap Dance, Joan Eastman; "Melody of Love," Arlene Farris; "Old Black Joe," Kenneth Blossom; Duet, "Vai De Ri"; Avis Stellhorn and Jeanette Carlin and chorus; Post Card News, Raymond Chapman; Duet, "My Happiness," "Let the Sunshine In," Jeanne Lamb and Arlene Farris; Guitar special, Roy Day; Chorus, "Old Fashioned Walk"; Intermission; Skit, "Danny and Robert"; Second opening; Chorus, "Cruising Down the River"; Tennessee Waltz, Kay and Leatrice; Harmonica and bones trio, three end men; Vocal trio, "Whispering Hope"; "You Are My Sunshine," "I'm Telling You Now," Charlotte, Jeanette and Jeanie; Vocal Solo, "Make Yourself Comfortable," Let Me Go Lover," Avis Stellhorn with Chorus; Songs; Vocal Solo, "This Old House," Vernon Inman and Jones; Vocal Solo, "Lucky Old Sun," "Six Foot Three," Jeanne Carlin with Chorus; Solo, Dolores Warner; Tap Dance, Joan Eastman; Duet, "Where the River Shannon Flows," Jeanette Carlin and Vernon Inman; The Golf Expert, Old Joe; Finale, Chorus, Popcorn and candy will be on sale. On March 22 this show will be repeated meeting of the North Division ed at the Bryant Pond Grange Hall of the Portland Pipe Line Corp. at 8 P. M.

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those from the Oxford County area named to the Dean's List were as follows:

Bethel: Mary A. Hastings, Laura M. Wilson (all A's).

Canton: Clinton A. Conant, East Rumford: Robert Dragoon, East Waterford: Janet E. Bodwell.

Fryeburg: Orville A. Yoder, Edward B. Dolley.

Hiram: Hubert W. Clemons, Lovell: Francis E. Gilman.

Norway: Susan A. York, David A. Shirley, John W. Perkins, Linda L. Ashton.

Ridlonville: Barry M. Millett, Rumford: Laurel L. Kealher, Parcels A Damour, Gloria Y. Horrell, James E. Kraske, Karl V. Kraske, Annette M. Langevin, Francis V. Tremblay, Jr.

Rumford Point: Elliot E. Burns, South Paris: Henry R. Morton, Lee E. Murch.

West Paris: Robert M. Young Jr., Roscoe E. Perham.

and Mrs. Lee Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Greenwood, Mrs. Claude Herrick, Mrs. William Etter, Mrs. Edna Smith, Mrs. Rena Powers.

Promise of Spring

Today is promise of the spring. With rocks and trees a-dripping, Old king winter's limbs are numb. His fingers start to slipping.

Not many weeks of cold and snow are left, and this the reason, Old winter's rule is near its end. This soon the springtime season. The snow will melt and disappear. The streams will race and tumble. The wild birds will return and sing. To make us glad and humble.

For if God loves these little birds And guides them spring and fall, He'll guide his children whom he loves.

If they but heed his call.

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"And lay your burden down.

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**FROM OUR E FILES**
**News of 4-H CLUBS**
**10 YEARS AGO**

The Bethel Village Corporation voted to buy the Dow's store property.

Death: Mrs Eva A Chapman.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Charles Cone purchased the Bethel and Milton school house and made it into a home.

Carry Stevens was preparing to make maple syrup.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Special school committees adopted recommendations to erect a four-room school building east of Spring Street.

The Christian Science Society of Bethel held the first services in the new church on March 7.

A fall of nine inches of snow was recorded in Andover.

Death: Daniel S Hastings.

**"THE TRUTH ABOUT PARCEL POST"—RESULT OF STUDY BY RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY**

A comprehensive 20-page report, entitled "The Truth About Parcel Post," which asserts that the government's transportation service has been "abused for the private profit of a few—at enormous loss to the American public," has been released by Railway Express Agency.

The report claims that if the government is pressured into handling freight-size packages between large cities, it would be contrary to presently accelerated efforts to get government out of business. On January 23rd, U. S. Budget Director Rowland Hughes, in the furnishing of this policy, directed Federal agencies to review their commercial and industrial activities, with a view toward discontinuing them.

The Railway Express booklet also shows that four-class, parcel post mail has accumulated a deficit of \$1.2 billion since 1926, and that in the past nine years alone, through the 1954 fiscal year, the reported deficit amounted to \$900 million.

A postal freight bill (H. R. 73) that would increase size and weight limit on parcel post moving between large cities and towns was introduced on behalf of the interests of certain shippers at the recent opening of Congress by Rep. Joel T. Brayhill (R., Va.). It is claimed that taxpayers and thousands of private carriers and their employees, including Railway Express, would be adversely affected by unfair government competition which would result from the bill.

In a foreword, A. L. Hammell, president of Railway Express, says that until Congress acted in 1951, certain commercial shippers had become accustomed over the years to the "special privilege" of having the taxpayer underwrite a large portion of their transportation costs through low-cost parcel post rates.

"Eventually this abuse became so flagrant," Mr. Hammell says, that the 82nd Congress passed corrective legislation in its public Law 100 that withdrew some of the special privileges which had benefited these commercial interests for so long. Beginning January 1, 1953, it no longer was possible for them to send large, heavy freight-type packages between first-class post offices. Competition with private carriers was partially removed and a source of great deficit was checked."

Mr. Hammell claims that these same relatively few companies, most of whom sell merchandise by mail, want a return of the special privileges taken away from them by this legislation. "If they succeed," warns Mr. Hammell, "in causing larger increase in the volume of freight business handled by the Post Office Department—and an even greater staggering annual loss to the public. And despite their claims to the contrary, these groups have protested every proposal to make parcel post a self-sustaining operation."

The study traces the history of parcel post from its start in 1913 as a small parcel-carrying service through the years when the size and weight limits were increased by administrative action of the Postmaster General without reference to Congress.

"There is no question," Mr. Hammell continues, "of the need for a parcel post service that it should not be permitted to engage in unnecessary and unfair competition in the field of private enterprises. If government competition is permitted in the field of transportation, which business field would be next? And where would it stop?"

"Unfair government competition with private enterprise can never be justified—let alone on the basis of damaging results to the taxpayer or to a substantial private enterprise industry; and to the principal of private enterprise so that a relatively few business units may enjoy low operating costs."

**LUCKY 13 4-H CLUB**

We had our business meeting March 14. Laura Yates gave our club a lovely Revlon manicure set. We did each others fingernails which we enjoyed doing very much. Susan Saunders and Mary Willard won the demonstration for Juniors of Oxford County demonstrating Block Printing at South Paris Friday night. Jane and Ruth reported on the meeting they attended at South Paris where Mrs. Smith talked on Style Dress Review. Mrs. Brown furnished refreshments for us. Next week Gloria Kneland will bring cookies. We are each supposed to bring some curlers or bobble pins for our hair. We will do each others hair and try new styles.—Reporter, Bonnie Eames.

**HAPPY HERDSMEN 4-H CLUB**

On March 16, 1955, the Happy Herdsman met at Nancy Davis' home. The meeting was called to order by President Nancy Davis. We gave the 4-H Pledge and the Pledge to the flag. Reports were made by Charlie Merrill and Dwight Merrill on the dance to be held at West Bethel Grange Hall, Friday, the 18th at 8:30 p. m. It was made a motion and seconded to pay Charlie Merrill the seventy cents which we owed him. It was made a motion and seconded to have our meetings every other week. A motion was made and seconded to have parents' supper on April 13th. The meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be held at Eleanor Lord's home—Betty Chapman, Secretary.

**PIPE LINE FEDERATION MEETS AT BERLIN**

The Winter Federation meeting of the Northern Division of the Portland Pipe Line Corporation was held at the New Berlin House, Thursday evening March 10, with 22 employees present representing North Waterford Station, Shelburne, N. H., Lancaster, N. H., and Raymond, Maine.

Following the banquet, Harold C. Perham of West Paris was elected as the presiding officer and Federation business was discussed, with Merle Tenney, Federation representative, reporting on Federation progress. The group voted to have another big Pipe Line Supper for men and their wives similar to the big event held at Gorham, N. H., last year, and Henry Cormier, Herman Emery, Frank Foss and Rodney Eames were elected to head the Supper Committee and notify all concerning future arrangements.

Present from the Lancaster, N. H., Station, were Thomas Cormier, Herman Emery, Glenn Smith, George Murphy, Arno Bishop, Ed Roney and Lester Pierce.

Present from Shelburne, N. H., Station, were Harry Stevenson, Benjamin Norton, George Norton, Billie Faulk, Doc LaBounty, L. C. Wheeler.

Present from North Waterford Station were: Red Perham, Fred Stearns, Dee Hutchinson, Rodney Eames, Harlan Hutchins, James Wiles.

From Raymond: Merle Tenney, Federation Rep., and Wilfred LaFontaine.

**WORTH REPEATING**

"Government spending has got to be reduced and brought into balance with government income before any of us can really benefit. This is as simple as the axiom that two and two make four. Until this can be done, any tax reduction voted for the relief of taxpayers by vote-seeking demagogues would be purely nominal; would be 'water on paper only,'" Portland (Maine) Express.

"Whether money is raised as being provided by the Federal government or through other sources, it is money that is raised through taxation. It may be direct or it may be indirect taxation, but taxation is the source of the money. To secure money through Federal agencies may seem to some as having the nature of a gift, but it is still tax money."—Lester (Mass.) Enterprise.

"There is no question," Mr. Hammell continues, "of the need for a parcel post service that it should not be permitted to engage in unnecessary and unfair competition in the field of private enterprises. If government competition is permitted in the field of transportation, which business field would be next? And where would it stop?"

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**RUMFORD-MEXICO TRADE SHOW TO BE HELD MARCH 24-25-26**

The ballads, "gee-tar" music and frolicking of Ken MacKenzie and his famous radio and TV variety show will add the entertainment fun to the displays of interest in all fields to be found at the Rumford-Mexico Trade Show at the Rumford Armory, March 24, 25 and 26.

The variety show will be on every night at 8 p. m. The Trade Show is open 8:30 to 10:00 each night and 2:30 to 5:30 Saturday afternoon.

Displays will include many types of service, business and industry, from merchandising home appliances to the building trades, do-it-yourself, and "Let George do it."

Diversification makes the third annual Trade Show a family affair, with something to interest everyone from kids to oldsters.

Auto exhibits will include new departures in the foreign sports car field.

Roger Woodcock, Rumford Falls Times Publisher, who is directing the show, plans a generous amount of prizes, including cash awards every 15 minutes during the evening shows.

**BORN**  
March 10, to Mr and Mrs Earl S. Williamson of Jackson Heights, N. Y., a son, Peter Earl.

**MARRIED**  
In South Paris, March 6, by Rev. Gordon Newell, Arthur Robbins of Norway and Miss Julia Searlson of West Paris.

In Frankfort, Germany, March 7, Cpl John Small of West Paris and Hannalore Smola of Frankfort.

**DIED**  
In Walnut Creek, Calif., March 12, David Walter Ramsell, aged 78 years.

In South Paris, March 13, Charles E. Banc, aged 80 years.

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